Regional Remediation Team



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Mr. Frank Battaglia, Project Manager USEPA Region I Waste Management Building 90 Canal Street Boston, MA 02114

RE: CHANGE OF OWNERSHIP

Dear Mr. Battaglia:

As required in the RCRA Consent Agreement (1-88-1088), page 8, "applicability", item 4, Ciba-Geigy Corporation is hereby notifying the USEPA that the ownership of our Cranston, Rhode Island facility is being transferred to Ciba Specialty Chemicals Corporation, 540 White Plains Road PO Box 2005, Tarrytown, N.Y., 10591-9005, effective September 9, 1996. the Regional Remediation Team at our Toms River, New Jersey location will continue to operate the facility and be responsible for the RCRA cleanup. We understand that since this is a transfer of ownership but not operation, the USEPA is willing to waive the fifteen (15) day notification requirement prior to the action taking place.

In addition, we request that the new owner be allowed to file financial assurance documentation at the end of January 1997 when the forms are routinely revised for the annual inflation factor. The regulations provide for a six month period after change of ownership, to refile financial assurance. Ciba and its successors continued to be committed to the remediation of the site, which we believe is substantially complete.

If there are any questions, please call me at (908) 914-2715.

Very truly yours,

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